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Legislation and Justice

Similar legislation and interpretations of the law will play an important role in achieving the prime ministers' objective of becoming the world's most integrated region.

Working life

A good working life has always played a crucial role in the evolution of the welfare state, in business growth and in the personal development of the people of the Nordic Region.

Digitalisation and innovation

The aim of the digitisation partnership is to strengthen the Nordic and Baltic countries as a coherent and integrated digital region. Joint efforts to promote the green digital transformation will benefit citizens, businesses and public administrations right across the region.

Disability

Nordic co-operation on disability contributes to the inclusion of people with disabilities by way of the enhanced sharing of knowledge throughout the region and close co-operation with regard to disability policy issues.

Healthy and sustainable food systems

Food is a central part of our wellbeing, life, and culture; but the food we consume can also have a negative impact on our health and the health of our planet. Transitioning our food systems is a necessity for achieving the goals set out in the Nordic vision and Agenda 2030.

The environment and climate

The Nordic Region is seen as a role model with regard to the environment and climate. An important reason for this is the region's long tradition of political co-operation. The challenges we face are growing in size and number, which makes co-operation even more important going forwards.

Sustainable development

The Nordic countries agree that the whole Region has to work together towards sustainable development. Achieving sustainable development is an ambitious but necessary goal.

Children and young people

The Nordic Council of Ministers' strategy states that "the Nordic Region must be the best place in the world for children and young people".

Energy

All the Nordic countries have ambitious national targets for switching to sustainable energy and are pioneers of green energy solutions in a global context. Nordic co-operation aims to support these national targets so that the Nordic Region can maintain its world-leading position.

Culture

Nordic cultural co-operation forms a strong overall unit in which art and culture make up the cornerstone of the community spirit that binds the Nordic countries together. This cultural cooperation greatly influences the world around it and reflects the foundation of our common Nordic values.

Education and research

One of the Nordic Council of Ministers' political priorities is to ensure that people of all ages have access to the highest quality education and research community possible throughout the Region .

Gender Equality and LGBTI

Gender equality is a cornerstone of the modern Nordic welfare societies, and Nordic co-operation on gender equality has been a precondition of the successful Nordic labour market model.

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